Making Sense of your **Radon Test Results**

Next steps to protect your family

Step 1:

Be clear about what you tested

Before you look at the numbers, be sure you know:

- Whether results are for water or air or both
- Whether water test results were for a private well. You need a radon water test *only* for well water, not for town or public supply.

If you are on well water and tested just your water, keep in mind that you also need to test your air.

Step 2:

Pay attention to the numbers. Don't worry about "pCi/L"

The letters **pCi/L** are short for "picocuries per liter." This is a measurement scientists use. What matters to you are the **numbers**. Don't worry about those letters after the numbers.

Step 3:

Make wise treatment decisions.

If you are on well water, be sure to test both your water and your air. You need results from **both** to decide whether and how to treat a radon problem.

High levels of radon in water and air can be reduced to fall within safety guidelines. Treating a radon problem is a smart health investment.

Understand Well Water Test Results

Safe levels of radon in well water measure **below** 4,000 pCi/L. If your **well water number** is:

- 10,000 or higher
 You need a treatment system (list on back).
- **Between 4,000 and 10,000** maybe treat Call us to discuss: 1-800-232-0842.
- 4,000 or lower Retest in 3 to 5 years.

Understand Air Test Results

Short-term tests (48-60 hours) are the most common, often done before homes are sold. If your **air test number** is:

- 4 or higher
 You need a treatment system (list on back).
- **Between 2 and 4** maybe treat Call us to discuss: 1-800-232-0842.
- **Below 2** and you tested in cold weather with the heat on—retest in 3 to 5 years. If you tested in warmer weather when heat is off, test again in cold weather when heat is on.

Radon Gas: the 2nd leading cause of lung cancer



Radon is a serious health risk.

Natural levels of radon are high in

Maine. Technology can usually reduce
radon air levels to below 2 and easily
reduce water levels to below 4,000—
the safest levels.

If you need to reduce radon levels in your home, be aware that contractors must be registered to reduce radon in water or air or both. See the list on back.

If radon is tested as part of buying or selling a house, a registered radon tester MUST be used

Learn More. Request Radon Tip Sheets.

- Check this website: www.MaineRadiationControl.org
- Call for advice: 1-800-232-0842 TTY: 800-606-0215



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Contractors Registered to Provide Radon Air and Water Treatment

Safe Home Environment

Bangor, Maine 207-941-9515 Air and Water Treatment

Water Check of Maine

Bar Harbor, Maine 207-288-9011 Water Treatment Only

Civil Engineering Services, Inc.

Brewer, Maine 207-989-4824 Air and Water Treatment

Central Maine Air & Water Services

Belgrade Lakes, Maine 207-314-5794 Air and Water Treatment

Advanced Quality Water Solutions

Brunswick, Maine 207-721-8620 Water Treatment Only

Maine Coast Construction Corp.

Camden, Maine 207-236-6000 Air Treatment Only

Maine Professional Inspections

Chelsea, Maine 207-623-2251 Air and Water Treatment

Radon Systems, LLC

E. Waterboro, Maine 207-247-8181 Air Treatment Only

Henningsen Inspections, LLC

Eliot, Maine 207-730-1686 Air and Water Treatment

Maine Radon Removal

Falmouth, Maine 207-781-2856 Air and Water Treatment

Air and Water Quality Inc.

Freeport, Maine 800-698-9655 Air and Water Treatment

The Maine Radon Mitigation Company, LLC

Hamden, Maine 207-249-8726 Air and Water Treatment

Agua-Max of Maine

Lewiston, Maine 207-782-1005 Water Treatment Only

Radon Done Right, LLC

Lewiston, Maine 866-997-2366 Air Treatment Only

Affordable Water Treatment

Litchfield, Maine 207-268-2987 Water Treatment Only

A & B Water Consultants

New Hampton, New Hampshire 603-279-0501 Water Treatment Only

Bluesky Environmental

Orono, Maine 207-852-7020 Air and Water Treatment

Norlen's Water Treatment Services, LLC

Orrington, Maine 207-825-4964 Air and Water Treatment

Haskell's Water Treatment

Rockland, Maine 207-594-4947 Water Treatment Only

Aaron Radon Mitigation

Saco, Maine 207-282-6026 Air Treatment Only

Ward Plumbing

Steep Falls, Maine 207-675-3272 Water Treatment Only

Dunbar Water Pumps and Filters

Wells, Maine 866-426-2773 207-646-8844 Water Treatment Only

Radon Removal Systems

Westbrook, Maine 800-640-8889 207-878-8795 Air Treatment Only

Water Treatment Equipment Inc.

Yarmouth, Maine 207-846-5061 800-328-7328 Air and Water Treatment

Northeast Radon Inc.

Yarmouth, Maine 207-846-0709 Air Treatment Only

Updated 7/1/08 Registrations Valid to 10/1/08

Other contractors may have registered since this update.

Many contractors work statewide. Please let us know if you have a problem contacting a company listed here.

1-800-232-0842

For the most current list of registered contractors, see **www.MaineRadiationControl.org** 1-800-232-0842 • TTY: 800-606-0215



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